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T. JACKSON,
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Hongkong, 8th November, 1897.

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HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

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For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1897.

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THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
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Authorised Capital \$1,000,000

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Hongkong, 30th November, 1897.

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INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
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T. H. WHITEHEAD,
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Hongkong, 2nd June, 1897.

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Entertainment.

CITY HALL.

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PROFESSOR MERCK

will give a

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Under the Patronage and in the Presence

of H.E. the GOVERNOR, Sir Wm.

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at 9 o'clock punctually.

PROGRAMME.

PART I.

1. Concert for Violin &c. Servais

Professor Merck.

2. Concert-Etude for Piano, Rubenstein

Mr. Emil Danzaberg.

3. Song for Contralto, Mrs. Flind.

4. (a) Hymn to St. Cecilia, Gounod

(b) Neapolitan Song, Cecilia

PART II.

1. Taf—Andante and Fina, Bayiel

M. Giraud, Violin; Prof. Merck, Violoncello;

Mr. Geo. P. Lampert, Piano.

2. (a) Solemnity, Popper

Professor Merck.

3. Scherzo for Piano, Chopin

Mr. Knill Dannenborg.

4. (a) Romance, Servais

(b) At the Festivus, Davidoff

(c) Vito—Spanish Dance,

(by special request), Popper

Professor Merck.

ADMISSION..... \$3

Plan at Messrs. W. ROBINSON & Co's Music

Warehouse.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1898.

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KUHN & KOMOR,
JAPANESE FINE ART CURIOS,
21 & 23, QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG,
35, WATER STREET, YOKOHAMA
and
36, DIVISION STREET, KOBE,
Hongkong, 1st March, 1898.

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Intimations.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY.

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FOR	STEAMERS	CAPTAINS	TO SAIL	ARRIVALS
LONDON	Malacca	H. E. Kilcat, R.N.R.	About 7th Jan.	Freight or Passage.
JAPAN, &c.	Shanghai	E. P. Bishop	About 8th Jan.	Freight or Passage.
JAPAN, &c.	RoMilo	S. de B. Lockyer, R.N.R.	About 9th Jan.	Freight or Passage.
LONDON &c.	7 Agnes	E. R. Dowell, R.N.R.	11th Jan.	See Special Advertisement.
LONDON	Java	J. Chellow, R.N.R.	About 21st Jan.	Freight or Passage.

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H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1898.

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MADIRA Red Seal ... 218
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MARSALA Green ... 9
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Hongkong, 13th December, 1897.

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1350 FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL.

A FIRST-CLASS HOTEL adjoining the Tramway Terminal. FINE HEALTHY LOCATION,
COMMANDING MAGNIFICENT View of the City and Harbour, the Malibao Island of Chios, and
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East wind in winter.

A covered Way has been constructed from the Station to the Hotel.

THE HOTEL IS NOW UNDER EUROPEAN MANAGEMENT.

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CHAMPAGNE.

G. H. MUNN & CO. 1 doz. quarts \$35.50
1 doz. plums \$37.50

WHISKY.

DEWAR'S "IMPERIAL INSTITUTE" 1 doz. bottles \$10.50
MCREADY'S "SPECIALY SELECTED" 10.50

PORT WINE.

GUEDES "3 GRAPE" BRAND 1 doz. bottles \$24.00

SHEWAN, TOME & CO., Agents.

Praya Central.

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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1898.

To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE.

M. R. O. STRUCKMEYER has this day been authorized to sign our Bills of Lading here and in China.
STEIMSEN & CO.,
Hongkong, 1st January, 1898. [61]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW AND SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"KANSU."

Captain Sommerwill will be despatched as above TOMORROW, the 6th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1898. [47]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"NESTOR."

Captain Aquilini will be despatched as above TOMORROW, the 6th instant, at Noon.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1898. [62]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR CHEFOO.

THE Company's Steamship

"HUNAN."

Captain Fyssier will be despatched as above TOMORROW, the 6th instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1898. [48]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUZU CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"MYRIMON."

Captain Morison, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 7th instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1898. [63]

WINE & SPIRITS.

Notice of Firms.

NOTICE.

A EUROPEAN, aged 21, seeks to fill a Vacancy in a MERCANTILE FIRM. Has had several years' experience in Office Work, with a fair knowledge of SHORTHAND, BOOK-KEEPING and CORRESPONDENCE.

Apply to

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c/o Hongkong Telegraph Office,

Hongkong, 4th January, 1898. [57]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

DURING my temporary absence from the Colony, Mr. Y. SHIGAKI will take charge of this Office.

By Order,

A. S. MIHARA,

Manager.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1898. [59]

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY in our FIRM of Mr. St. C. MICHAELSON, who wishes to retire, from China, ceased on the 1st December, 1897.

MELCHERS & CO.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1898. [51]

Intimation.



A. S. WATSON & CO.,

LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINES & SPIRITS.

ALL these are selected by our London House, bought direct at first hand, imported in wood and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all intermediate profits, and enabling us to supply the best growths at MODERATE PRICES.

PRICE LISTS, with Full Details, to be had on Application.

PORT after removal should be rested a month before use. When required for drinking at once it should be decanted to the Dispensary before being sent out.

SHERRY—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner Wines of very superior Vintages. All are true Xeres Wines.

CLARET—Our Claret, including the lowest priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine product of the juice of the grape and are not artificially made from raisins and currants, as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.

BRANDY—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be pure Cognac, the difference in price being merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKY—All our Whisky is of excellent quality and of greater age than most brands in the market. The SCOTCH WHISKY marked "E" is universally popular, and is pronounced by the best local connoisseurs to be superior to any other brand in the Hongkong market.

We only guarantee our Wines and Spirits to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony, or from our authorized Agents at the Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 8th December, 1897. [7]

BIRTHS.

At Tientsin, on the 9th December, 1897, the wife of CHARLES KILNER, I.M. Customs, of a son.

On the 13th December, at Yokohama, the wife of R. RUMOG, of a son.

At Lao-ling, Shantung, on Thursday, 16th December, 1897, the wife of F. W. MARSHALL of a son.

At Shanghai, on the 17th December, the wife of J. E. FITZJOSEPH, of a son.

At Yokohama, on the 17th December, the wife of Wm. T. PAYNE, of a son.

On Monday, the 21st December, at No. 1, Broadway, Hongkong, Shanghai, the wife of R. J. SOLOMON, of a daughter.

At No. 1, Sun Soni Terrace, Bubbling Well Road, Shanghai, on the 26th December, the wife of R. E. TONG, of a daughter.

At 5, Hongkong Road, Shanghai, on the 26th December, the wife of CHARLES DOWDALE, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

At the Presbyterian Church, Singapore, on the 22nd December, by the Rev. S. Stephen Walker, M.A., WILLIAM MACMURRAY, Engineer, Blantyre Oil Mills, to JANET GLEW, eldest daughter of the late Daniel Hamilton Duncan, Cessnock, Glasgow.

On Christmas Day, 1897, at the Cathedral, Shanghai, by the Rev. H. C. Hodges M.A., EDMUND FRANCIS GEDYE, M.A., of Wuchow, to SADIE, eldest daughter of the Rev. John S. Simon, Bristol, England.

On the 25th December, at the Cathedral, Shanghai, by the Rev. H. C. Hodges M.A., the Rev. GEORGE L. FULLER, of Hankow, to EMILIE, only daughter of C. M. WHITE, Harrogate, England.

DEATHS.

At Chipping, Shantung, on the 3rd December, NORA DOROTHY, daughter of the Rev. Frank and Mrs. HARMON, English Baptist Mission.

At Tokio, on Thursday, December 9th, MARGARET THREESA, beloved wife of Edward Dives, M.D., F.R.S.

At Tokio, on the 12th December, JOSEPH HEDD, aged 61 years, after a long and painful illness.

On the 16th December, at Yokohama, of typhoid fever, HENRY SWINBURNE ADAMS, in his 30th year.

At the Shanghai General Hospital, on the 16th of December, 1897, of cerebro-spinal meningitis, B. B. C. POWELL, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, U.S.A., in the 30th year of his age. The remains were cremated on the 19th December, 1897.

On the 23rd December, at the Osaka Hospital, the wife of Captain F. C. FULLER.

At Newchwang, on the 29th of December, 1897, JAMES FIELD GALBRAITH, of Glasgow, aged 24 years (Acting Agent of The American Banking Co., Newchawng).

Mr. Hewitt has returned, sorrowfully ill.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1898.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S MESSAGES.

RE-INFORCEMENTS FOR EGYPT.

LONDON, January 3rd.

The first battalion of the Yorkshire Regiment proceeds to Gibraltar, to replace the Northumbrian Regiment, which goes to Egypt. The second battalion of the Lancashire Regiment and the first battalion of the Royal Irish Fusiliers will be landed in Egypt on their way home from India.

THE SITUATION IN EGYPT.

Reuter's Agency is informed that the movement of British troops to the front is defensive, rather than offensive against the Dervishes.

JAPANESE TELEGRAMS.

[KOKI CHRONICLE] TRANS.]

TOKIO, December 12th.

A report from Mr. Saito, the Japanese Consul at Tacoma, dated the 25th October, states that 200 cases of green tea shipped at Yokohama by the N.Y.K. steamer *Kishinshu-maru*, which arrived there on the 10th October, were refused a permit for landing on the ground of inferior quality.

Prince Shimizue, who is very dangerously ill, refuses to take European medicine. This fact having reached the ears of the people in the Prince's Tokyo house, Dr. Takagi, Naval Surgeon-General, proceeded to Kagoshima a day or two ago to offer advice to the Prince.

MARSDALE, December 11th.

A disturbance took place last night at Tadotsu between the bluejackets of the gun-boat *Murasaki* and the police and gendarmes. Several persons were injured.

NAGASAKI, December 11th.

A contract has been made with the Dredging Company to dredge 300,000 tons of Nagasaki harbour for \$55,000 per year.

December 13th.

An apprentice named Eppa, belonging to the United States flag-ship *Olympia*, was drowned last night in the harbour.

He is believed to have been murdered by

sailors.

TOKIO, December 15th.

There was great disturbance at the general meeting of Liberal party delegates, held at the party headquarters to-day, caused by the *sochi* of rival factions. Several persons were injured and most of the furniture was smashed. It took some sixty or seventy policemen to restore order. Ultimately a resolution was passed by 85 to 40 that a motion of want of confidence should be brought forward immediately the Diet met.

EIKONE, December 15th.

Mr. Miyama Takejiro, a clerk in the Inakami district office, who was placed on the retired list last month, has confessed to the police that he has appropriated sums paid in on account of taxes during the time he was in office.

TOKIO, December 16th.

The Bank of Japan has consented to place three million yen in the hands of the Special Bank for the purpose of making advances to the cotton-spinning companies to ship to China the yarn now ginning in Osaka.

The Bank of Japan is considering a proposal to increase its note-issue to forty million yen, as permitted by its charter upon the observance of certain conditions.

December 20th.

At a special Cabinet Council held to-day it was definitely decided to dissolve the Diet; if it showed an antagonistic attitude, before the end of the year.

SCOUT, December 20th.

The Tongkaks have risen in the vicinity of Mokpo, and the Japanese gunboat *Chokai* has proceeded from Fusan to protect the Japanese at the newly-opened port.

TAIPEI, December 24th.

The editor of the *Taiwan Nippon*, which was recently prosecuted on a charge of having libelled Government officials, has been sentenced to imprisonment with hard labour for two months and to pay a fine of 50 yen. Mr. Nedde, who contributed the objectionable paragraph, has been sentenced to imprisonment for three months with hard labour and to pay a fine of fifteen yen.

KANAZAWA, December 24th.

Mr. Onuki Katsutsuhi, who was recently dismissed from the directorship of a district office in connection with the river-bank repair scandal, has committed suicide by hanging.

TOKIO, December 24th.

Four robbers on the premises of the Yokohama railway station were destroyed by fire last night. The goods burnt and damaged consist of raw silk, cotton yarn, sugar and kerosene, and the loss is said to be heavy.

SEOUL, December 24th.

A Russian subject named Routenfield has been appointed Superintendent of the Customs at Chinkiang.

Kim In-shik, Minister for Foreign Affairs at the time of the Queen's murder, and Li She-go, an official who drafted the Royal Edict deposing the Queen, have been arrested and condemned to perpetual exile on Chagast Island.

Both these officials have been considered as belonging to the pro-Japanese party in Korea, and the action taken against them is one more proof of how completely Japanese influence has declined.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H.M.S. *Edgar* went into dock to-day.

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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1898.

The Post Office now delivers Shanghai mail matter to us with Canton postmark. Presumably it has come overland. We must be thankful for what we get; however we manage to get it.

THE NAGASAKI PRESS says that the German steamers *Swarow*, *Oscura*, and *Zeval* have been chartered by the German authorities for one year to convey coal and stores to Kiaochou Bay.

The police patrol of steamships in Japanese ports, recently instituted, will not be a very good thing if there are many policemen like Mr. Kinoura-Iwao. According to the *Yusho Nippon*, this gentleman, having to visit the *Ansei-maru* officially, took advantage of the opportunity to appropriate a gold watch and chain worth 400 yen, and a tobacco-purse, the property of Mr. Obata, the Chairman of the Kwansei Steamship Union, who was a passenger by the *Ansei*. After securing this loot, the policeman was so foolish as to show the watch to his friends, telling them it had been given him by his uncle, recently returned from America. Inquiries made led to his arrest, and he is said to have confessed, though he denies appropriating a further sum of 20 yen which Mr. Obata lost at the same time.

MURKIN'S WHEATLOCK & CO.'S Coal and Kerosene Oil Market Report, dated Shanghai, 31st December, 1897, says:- Coal.—Japan.—At present our market is extremely strong, as stocks of all kinds have been completely swept off, and there is absolutely not a single ton of anything like steam coal obtainable. There are a few cargoes in Japan awaiting shipment from there, but a further obstacle in the shape of scarcity of tonnage prevents any business being done.

Under this heading we regret having to make known the sudden suspension of payment of one of our largest dealers, which naturally also affects the coal business, but we are given to believe that the creditors intend taking him over, at any rate until after Chinese New Year, when it is to be hoped that further arrangements will be made to keep him in the trade. Our quotations given below are purely nominal, but had we been able to procure cargoes, we think higher prices would be paid. Cardiff—Owing to rumours of anticipated trouble a fair demand took place last week and some quantity has been sold at £1s. 12d. per ton. Sydney, Wollongong.—After worrying our friends in the Colonies we have at last been able to procure a small cargo at £1s. 12d. per ton, and though we have heard that a sailor has been taken up at 27/-, we think that the above sale is the only business done. There is a further demand and another cargo could be placed at the former figure. Quito's tonnage.—The undated figures are based on the most recent settlements for cargoes to arrive and do not represent the present market rates for coal in stock which fluctuate with the supply and demand.—Cardiff, ex Godown Tls 17/- per ton. American Antarctic, ex Godown Tls 17/- per ton nominal. Sydney Wollongong, steamer cargo ex Godown Tls 13/- per ton nominal. Japan Tls 7/- @ 7/- per ton. Kerosene Oil—America.—There has not been a very large business done since last writing, but sales that have transpired have been to actual consumers, and speculators have been conspicuous by their absence. The market has weakened slightly, and prices have declined to £1s. 12d. per cwt, but this is purely owing to the fact that sales have been steady and not speculative. Arrivals have been the steamer *Queen Christina* and *Clarence S. Ement* yesterday, bringing 134,000 cases and 78,000 cases respectively. Stocks, including above arrivals, 387,479 cases. Batum.—

This brand has, like Dove's, been dealt with in small quantities, but at a slight advance on last fortnight's quotation, £1s. 12d. having been paid for Anchor Chop. There has not been much doing in other brands. Stocks 28,000 cases. Langkat.—The stock has been replenished by the arrival of the steamer *Tanckerville* on the 23rd inst., bringing the equivalent of about 100,000 cases; this arrival has allowed of sales being made at quotations, but the business has not been large. Stocks in godowns are now estimated at 77,000 cases.

STRIKE AMONG THE B. I. OFFICERS.

The B. I. S. *Gospara*, which was to have left for Madras via coast port at 11.30 this morning, says the *Hongkong Times*, of the 7th December, did not leave at the advertised time, the ship's officers, with the exception of the captain and those belonging to the engineer department, having struck. So far as we are able to learn, the officers below the rank of commander have a grievance against the Company, the said grievance being that promotions have been made from the rank of chief officer to that of commander without any increase in pay, which practically means that the pay of the rank has been reduced by 10/- a month. The men are evidently of opinion that this is merely the thin end of the wedge, as they argue that the Company would hardly intend to leave the two ranks on the same scale of pay and are consequently contemplating a reduction in the pay of the other grades. There are at present six officers belonging to the B. I. line in port, viz. the *Cocotaria*, *Java*, *Gospara*, *Nebudha*, *Patrie* and *Chitra*, all of which, it is said, have joined in the movement, which also extends to Bombay and Madras, throughout the 100 vessels which form the fleet. In fact, it is a universal strike, which has been carefully planned and organized, to come off on this date. The *Rangoon*, which left at 6 a.m. this morning for Madras, will probably remain at that port. The officers of the *Gospara* went ashore this afternoon and the vessel has been moored out in the stream awaiting orders.

Later.—The strike is over, matters having been amicably settled. This morning the 8th instant, a meeting was held at which it was determined that they should stand out at all costs. There are however three chief officers who are keeping aloof from the strike. The *Gospara*, not having its proper complement of officers, was prevented from sailing yesterday with the mails, and the *Java*, which has the *Sitak's* mail aboard, was also unable to leave port. A communication was received from the head office, undertaking to place no more officers in command of vessels or chief officers' pay, but this offer did not satisfy the strikers. This afternoon between one and two o'clock a telegram was received from Calcutta according to the usual demands, and the *Africa* and *Java* left port this evening.

THE SHELLER ST. MURDERS.

The man Lam Chow Wa, charged with having murdered one Li Fat and his mother Cheung Yik in a house No. 74 Shelley Street on November 14th, was brought up at the Magistrate to-day. The prisoner, who has just been discharged from hospital after attempting to commit suicide by cutting his throat, is a young man with intelligent and not unattractive features, and the hospital bandage was still round his neck. He was, unfeudled, and Inspector Hanson conducted the prosecution.

Li Kit, a little Chinese girl, deposed that at 8 a.m. on a day two months ago, she was on the ground floor of her residence, when a woman named Ah Chun said she heard cries of "Save life" and—bade witness go upstairs. When on the eighth step to the first floor she saw the prisoner at the top of the stairs holding a sword with both hands out to her that she must not run away. She then returned to the ground floor. When she saw the sword there was blood on it. Prisoner lived in the house where she saw him; he lived by himself but she did not know what he was. When the police came witness went upstairs and saw the bodies of her uncle and her grandmother lying on the floor. Her uncle was in the passage and her grandmother in the sitting room. Her grandmother, who was a Christian, was a widow, 64 years of age, and her uncle was 32 years of age. He was a servant employed at the Spanish Procurator. He was a native of Chat Po village in the Kwangtung province. Witness also saw prisoner lying in the passage. She last saw her uncle a quarter of an hour before when he went upstairs. The sword produced was the one prisoner had in his hands. She had never seen it before until prisoner had it.

Lam Cheung, a girl who was in the company of last witness, deposed to having heard cries of "Save life" from No. 74 Shelley Street, next door to the place.

Li Yat Choy, a nephew of the prisoner, deposed that he was a school boy and lived in a house at the back of the Spanish Procurator. Between 7 and 8 a.m. on November 14th, he went upstairs to get some clothing. He saw two bodies in the passage and one in a room. Prisoner was one of the three and was lying partially on his back. He was quite motionless. Witness ran downstairs at once and did not notice what was the matter with prisoner. He saw no sword about the place. There was a little blood on the floor where the bodies were. Prisoner was sent collector to the Spanish Procurator and was a married man. The deceased was before his Honor Judge Wilkinson. M.M. Hassan, manager of the firm of M. H. E. Ellis, sued the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, by their agent Mr. Alfred Woolley, for £100,000, alleged loss by shortage of cargo consisting of two packages of ivory landed at Yokohama ex S.S. *Antonia*, on June 16th, from Bombay and 10/- expenses of survey. Both parties conducted their own case. Mr. F. J. Norman was sworn to act as interpreter of Hindostani, the plaintiff's knowledge of the English language being limited.

Mr. Woolley, in the course of the case, said he objected to gunny bags for packing purposes.

His Honour: But this bill of lading is signed by you and you admit having received it. This being so I think you would have to show me a very strong case now that the packing of ivory in gunny bags was improper as a general rule, and I think you would have a very hard case to show that. If you are a Company, are in the habit of carrying ivory in gunny bags without any objection at all, the impression would be left that it was not improper in this case.

Mr. Woolley said that on the contrary the Company did object. They could not prevent merchants shipping goods without wrappers, but they protected themselves by stamping on the bill of lading a clause stating that they would not be responsible for goods that were insufficiently packed.

His Honour said that this would not affect him in the slightest degree. If they said they would not take ivory in gunny bags it would be very well, but if the custom existed of carrying it in gunny bags it was open to the Company to say that this particular gunny bags were very bad and got scattered, though as he understood it they were strong enough to hold the goods together.

Mr. Woolley proceeded to argue that on the terms of the bill of lading the Company was absolutely free from liability.

His Honour: I decide positively against you. You are liable for any result that may be found.

The defence to the case was that the goods were delivered in good order and condition.

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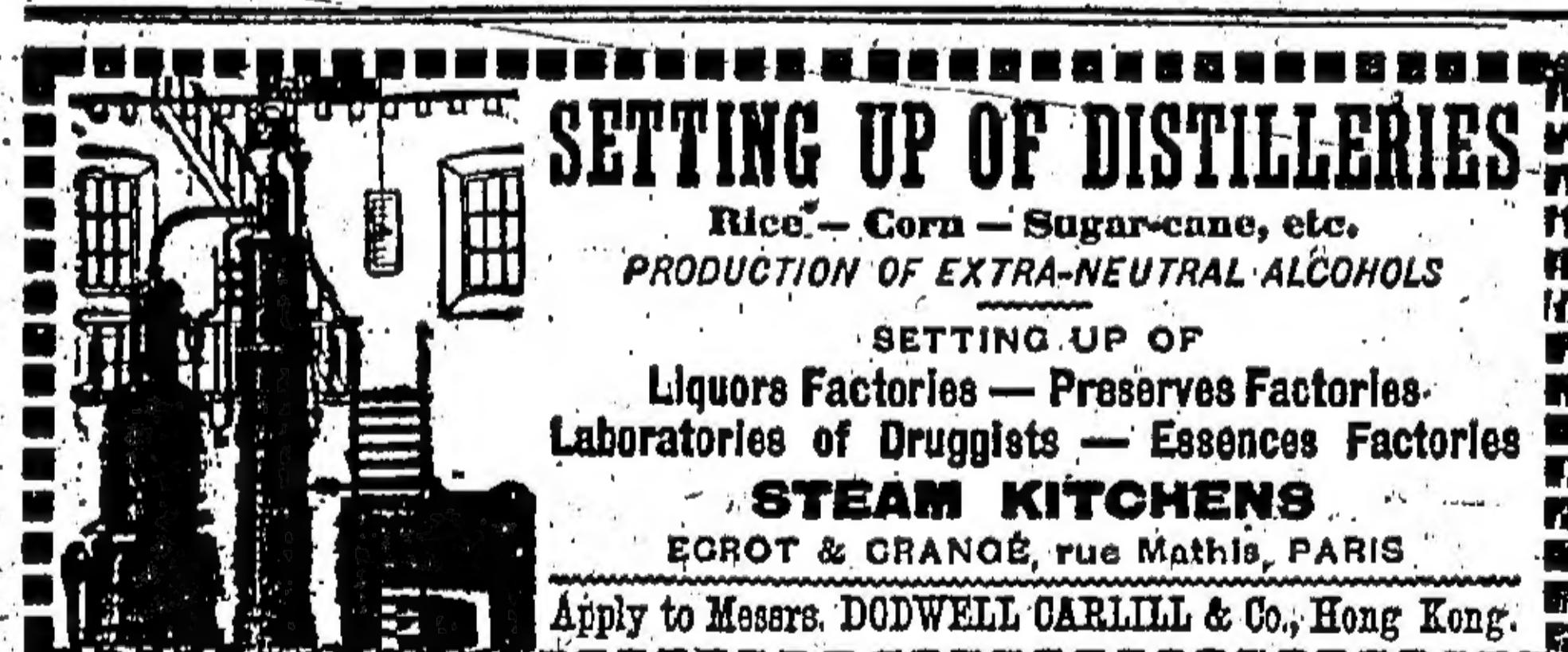
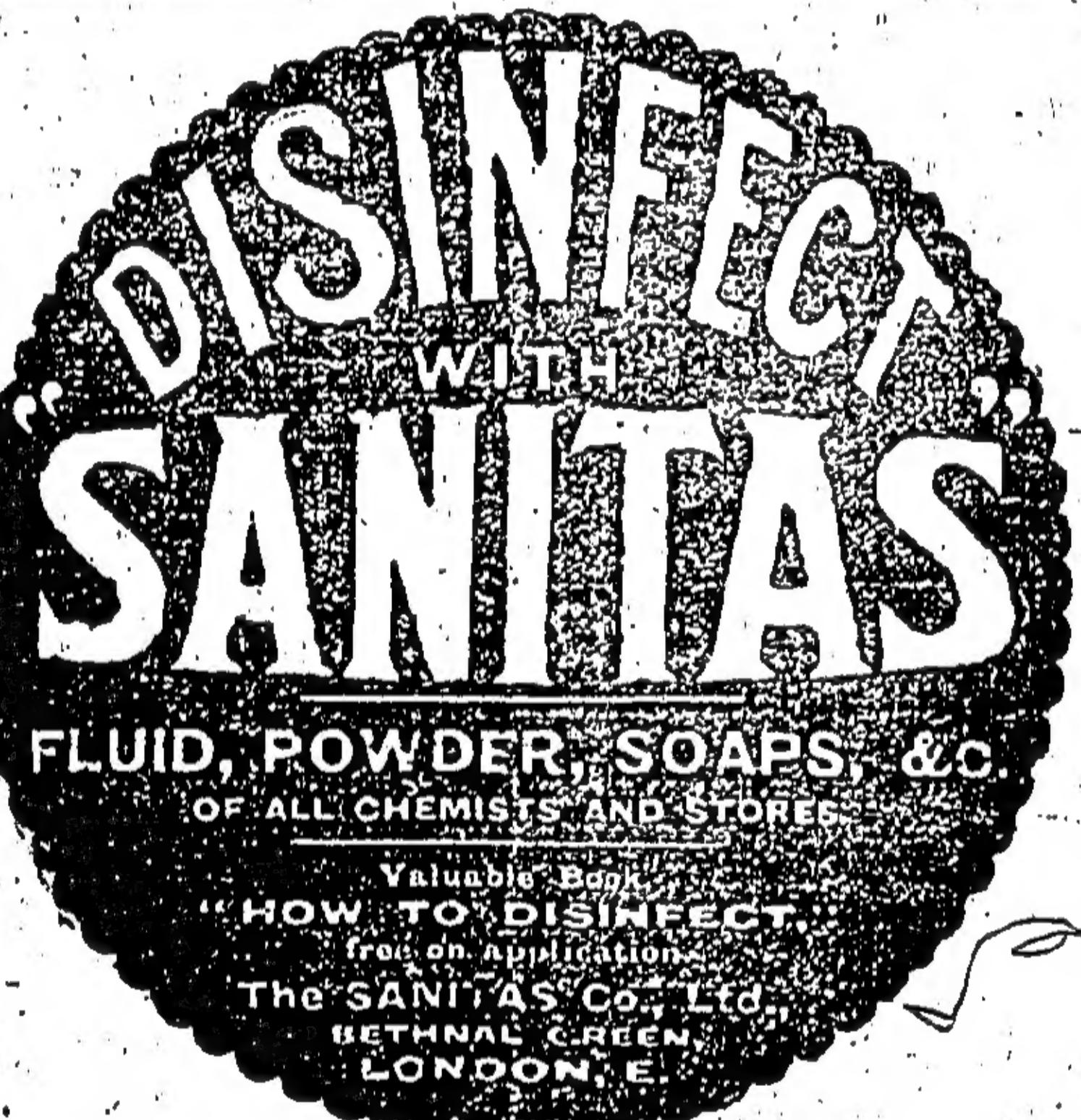
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